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PUC APPROVES RENEWABLE POWER CONTRACT FOR EDISON, MOVING UTILITY CLOSER TO MEETING CLEAN POWER GOAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 27, 2005 – The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) today, in its ongoing efforts to promote renewable power, approved a solar renewable energy contract for Southern California Edison.

The energy acquired from this contract will count toward Edison's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) requirements. Details of the project include:

Seller	Gen.	Initial	Possible	Estimated	Estimated	Initial	Completion	Term of	Estimated
	Type	Size	Expansion	Annual	Annual	Phase	Date for	Agreement	Capacity
		(MW)	Size (MW)	Energy	Energy	On-Line	Initial Size	(Years)	Factor
				Based on	Based on	Date			
				Initial Size	Expansion				
				(GWH)	Size (GWH)				
SES	Solar								
Solar	Thermal								
One	(Stirling					Jan.			23.90
LLC	Dish)	500	850	1,047	1,780	2009	Dec. 2012	20	percent

This electrical output represents from approximately 1.4 percent to 2.6 percent of Edison's annual sales, excluding direct access sales, recorded for 2004.

This contract is the first commercial application of the "Stirling Solar Dish". A different technology from the more familiar solar panel, the dish concentrates solar energy by the use of reflective surfaces and by the use of the Stirling heat engine to convert the heat into electricity.

The RPS Program, created by Senate Bill 1078, requires each utility to increase the amount of renewable energy in its portfolio to 20 percent by 2017, increasing by a minimum of one percent per year. The state's Energy Action Plan accelerates that goal to 2010 to, among other things, more quickly reduce the state's greenhouse gas emissions, moderate increasing dependence on natural gas, and mitigate the associated risks of electricity price volatility.

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